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In re Patent Application of:  
Chaitan KHOSLA et al.

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Art Unit: 1631

For: DESIGN OF POLYKETIDE SYNTHASE  
GENES

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Examiner: S. Zhou

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 29, 2008, for which a response was due on June 29, 2008. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to September 29, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.